

BENTON CONSOLIDATED HIGH SCHOOL
Benton, Illinois 62812
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
September 19, 2019

The Board of Education of the Benton Consolidated High School District #103 met in Regular Session on Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 5:00 P.M. in the District Board Room. President, Mark Minor called the meeting to order.

Opening prayer was led by Mark Dyel. Kenny Irvin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present: Mark Minor, President; Mitch Bennett, Secretary; Shane Cockrum; Mark Dyel; Mark Franklin; and Kenny Irvin. Board member absent: Robin LaBuwi.

Others present: Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary; and Michael Baysinger and Michael McGuire, Architects.

4. TOUR CHEMISTRY LAB AND OUTDOOR CONCESSION STAND LOCATION At 5:02 P.M. the Board took a tour of the building facilities and returned at 5:44 P.M.

Attendance: Mark Minor, Mitch Bennett, Shane Cockrum, Mark Dyel, Mark Franklin, and Kenny Irvin, Board Members; Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary; Brady Gisher, Student Council Representative; and Michael Baysinger and Michael McGuire, Architects.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

5.1 Appointment/Compensation/Discipline/Performance of Personnel

Executive Session – Shane Cockrum made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the Appointment, Compensation, Discipline, and Performance of Personnel. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

The Board; Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; and Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary entered into an Executive Session in the Executive Board Room at 5:45 P.M.

Open Session - The Board reconvened in an Open Session at 7:11 P.M. Mitch Bennett, Secretary called the roll. Answering present: Mitch Bennett – yes, Shane Cockrum – yes, Mark Dyel – yes, Mark Franklin – yes, Kenny Irvin – yes, and Mark Minor – yes. Board member absent: Robin LaBuwi.

Others present: Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; and Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

6.1 Approve Minutes: Regular Board Meeting Minutes, Aug 15, 2019

Executive Board Meeting Minutes, Aug 15, 2019

6.2 Approve Financial Report (August 2019)

6.3 Approve Payment of Bills (August 2019)

6.4 Review/Approve Annual Administrator/Teacher Salary and Benefits Report (ENCL A)

6.5 Review/Approve Final Reading Board Policy Updates & 5-Year Reviews from Press Plus Issue 101(ENCL B)

Mark Franklin made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with replacement pages 18-24. Shane Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, members voted as follows: Mark Franklin – yes, Kenny Irvin – yes, Mark Minor – yes, Mitch Bennett – yes, Shane Cockrum – yes, and Mark Dyel – yes. Motion Carried. A copy of Enclosures A and B have been attached to and made a part of these minutes.

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

- Mr. Johnson provided an update on project progress, stating the chemistry lab is near completion, hopefully ready for students next week.
- The addition of co-athletic directors was mentioned as a positive as supervision has increased.
- Mitch Bennett was acknowledged as receiving recognition of “Master Board Member” from the Illinois Association of School Boards.
- Justin Groves, the football staff, Ryan Miller, the athletic department, and all of the additional organizations that were involved in the Military Appreciation Night were thanked for their work.

8. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

9. OLD BUSINESS

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.1 Review/Adopt FY20 Budget Mark Franklin made a motion to adopt the FY2020 Budget as presented. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

10.2 Assignment of Personnel

Mark Franklin made a motion to accept the letter of resignation from boys head track coach, Jason Hobbs. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Kenny Irvin made a motion to accept the letter of resignation from assistant boys basketball coach, Clayton Reeves. Mark Franklin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Shane Cockrum made a motion to approve Carrie Clover as a volunteer assistant art club sponsor for the 2019-20 school year. Mitch Bennett seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Mark Franklin made a motion to approve Vanessa Sneed as the speech coach for the 2019-20 school year. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Shane Cockrum made a motion to approve Kady Lampley as the assistant speech coach for the 2019-20 school year. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Mark Franklin made a motion to assign Kady Lampley to the musical publicity/tickets/scripts stipend position for the spring 2020 musical. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Mark Franklin made a motion to approve Olivia Hagerman-Owens, Cassidy Howell, and Brittany Kubow as substitutes in the nurse’s office for the 2019-20 school year as needed. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

10.3 Employment of Personnel Kenny Irvin made a motion to employ Tammy Wilcox as a teacher’s aide for the 2019-20 school year. Shane Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

10.4 Review/Approve Posting of Open Positions Kenny Irvin made a motion to authorize the Administration to post the position of head boys track coach as available for the 2019-20 school year. Mark Franklin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Mark Franklin made a motion to authorize the Administration to post the position of assistant boys basketball coach as available for the 2019-20 school year. Mitch Bennett seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

10.5 Review/Approve Purchase of Van Mitch Bennett made a motion to approve the purchase of a 2019 Dodge Grand Caravan as presented. Mark Franklin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

10.6 Review/Approve Surplus Property Kenny Irvin made a motion to designate the property listed in Addendum A as surplus. Shane Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried. A copy of Addendum A has been attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Mark Dyel made a motion to trade in the 2009 Dodge Grand Caravan listed in Addendum A on the purchase of the 2019 Dodge Grand Caravan approved in item 10.5. Mark Franklin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

11. BOARD OF EDUCATION REMARKS

12. ADJOURNMENT Shane Cockrum made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 P.M. Mitch Bennett seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

BOARD PRESIDENT

BOARD SECRETARY